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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 16, 2008, having a period for response set to expire on September 16, 2008, 2008, which period has been extended by the enclosed Petition For Extension Of Time for one (1) month to October 16, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.